

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
May 19, 2014

The Honorable Council of the City of Evansville met on regular session at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 19, 2014 in the City Council Chambers, Room 301 Civic Center Complex, Evansville, Indiana, with President John Friend presiding and conducting the following business.

These minutes do not represent a verbatim transcript. Audiotapes of this meeting are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

President Friend: The Honorable Council of the City of Evansville is hereby called to order. Madam Clerk, please call the roll.

ROLL CALL:

Present: McGinn, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Lindsey, Adams, O'Daniel, Weaver, Friend

Absent: Mosby

President Friend: There being eight (8) members present and one (1) member absent and eight (8) members representing a quorum, I hereby declare this session of the Common Council officially open.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance shall be by Doctor Adams.

President Friend: Fellow Councilmen and those in the audience, welcome to the May 19, 2014 meeting of the City Council.

COUNCIL ATTORNEY

Tonight we have Scott Danks as our City Council Attorney.

SERGEANT AT ARMS

I'd like to thank Officers Helm and Bourland for joining us tonight. Thanks so much for coming. Thank you.

I think we need a motion for the minutes.

City Clerk Windhorst: Since it was just last week, the minutes aren't finished being typed yet.

President Friend: Okay, just asking.

City Clerk Windhorst: So we'll have them for you at the next meeting.

President Friend: See I noticed they weren't on there.

City Clerk Windhorst: Very good.

President Friend: Thank you. Could you do the Reports and Communications for us?

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

IN YOUR MAY 16th PACKET:

- * City Council Meeting Agenda and Committee Meeting Schedule for May 19, 2014
- * Ordinances G-2014-8 and R-2014-12
- * Resolutions C-2014-12 (Docket) and C-2014-13 (Docket)

EMAILED MATERIAL:

- * Revised City Council Meeting Agenda and Committee Meeting Schedule for May 19, 2014
- * Resolution C-2014-14

ON YOUR DESK THIS EVENING:

- * Extended Agenda

President Friend: I need a motion to receive, file and make these reports and communications a part of tonight's meeting.

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilwoman Robinson: Second.

President Friend: I had a motion by Councilman O'Daniel and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson. Voice vote. Goes forth.

CONSENT AGENDA

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE G-2014-8

PUBLIC WORKS

LINDSEY

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 13.20 (Wastewater Discharge Regulations) of the Evansville Municipal Code

RESOLUTION C-2014-14

FINANCE

O'DANIEL

Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana, Approving an Ordinance of the Vanderburgh County Income Tax Council Establishing the Percentage Credit Allowed for Homesteads for 2015 and Casting the Votes of the Common Council of the City of Evansville on Said Ordinance

President Friend: A motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as written?

Councilwoman Robinson: So moved.

Councilman Lindsey: Second.

President Friend: I had a motion made by Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Councilman Lindsey. Thank you. Voice vote. So ordered.

CONSENT AGENDA

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE F-2014-6

FINANCE

O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Re-appropriations and Additional Appropriations of Funds within a City Department (DMD)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

CHAIRMAN O'DANIEL

Chairman O'Daniel: Mister President, your Finance Committee met this evening to hear Ordinance F-2014-6 and it comes forward with a do-pass recommendation.

President Friend: Is there a motion to adopt the Committee Reports and this to the Third Reading?

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilman Adams: Second.

President Friend: I had a motion by Councilman O'Daniel and seconded by Doctor Adams. Voice vote. Goes forth to Third Reading.

REGULAR AGENDA

THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCE F-2014-6

FINANCE

O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Re-appropriations and Additional Appropriations of Funds within a City Department (DMD)

President Friend: Yes. Jane, do we need discussion on this?

Unidentified Speaker: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

President Friend: No need to? Okay, with that, well...okay, is there a motion to adopt F-2014-6?

Councilman Weaver: So moved.

Councilwoman Robinson: Second.

President Friend: Okay, I had a motion by Councilman Weaver and a second by Councilwoman Robinson. Please call the roll dealing with F-2014-6.

ROLL CALL:

Aye: McGinn, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Lindsey, Adams, O'Daniel, Weaver, Friend

Absent: Mosby

President Friend: Eight (8) ayes and zero (0) nays, Ordinance F-2014-6 is hereby declared adopted.

RESOLUTION DOCKET

RESOLUTION C-2014-12 (DOCKET) FINANCE FRIEND

A Resolution Approving a Lease with the Evansville Fire Fighters' Federal Credit Union

President Friend: All right, we need some discussion on this I guess. Anybody here that would like to talk on this?

Councilman Lindsey: This is just like a housekeeping thing.

President Friend: Oh it is?

Councilman Lindsey: Every four years and since it's a four-year lease, it has to come in front of the Council so it's just continuing on with their lease and that's basically it.

Councilman Adams: What do they charge per square foot?

Councilman Lindsey: I don't know. Probably cheap, it's at the end of a fire station.

President Friend: Okay, any other questions with this?

Okay, I need a motion to adopt the Resolution C-2014-12.

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilman Weaver: Second.

President Friend: I had a motion made by Councilman O'Daniel and a second by Councilman Weaver. Please call the roll dealing with C-2014-12.

ROLL CALL:

Aye: McGinn, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Lindsey, Adams, O'Daniel, Weaver, Friend

Absent: Mosby

President Friend: Eight (8) ayes and zero (0) nays, Resolution C-2014-12 is declared adopted.

RESOLUTION DOCKET

RESOLUTION C-2014-13 (DOCKET) FINANCE O'DANIEL

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana, Approving an Amendment of the Plan for the Downtown Redevelopment Area

President Friend: All right, we have some discussion.

Councilman O'Daniel: Actually, I think Ted, you may be here on this. This was originally brought before the Council last year under 2013-8 and I think it was just held in Committee indefinitely while we were discussing the hotel project. What this would do is carve out essentially, where the hotel is scheduled to be built and a certain area where the Executive was out of the Downtown TIF and it resets it so we can maximize the value of that TIF district. Is that correct?

City Attorney Ziemer: Yes.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay. Any other thing you want to add to that?

City Attorney Ziemer: Well, I consider it really a housekeeping measure. When the TIF was originally created by this Council, it was your thought to have a maximum TIF available for economic development in the downtown TIF area and that is what has happened over the years except that, I don't know the exact date now, but the City acquired title to the former hotel property and when that happened that base value was reduced to zero. If the Council does nothing, that will result in a smaller amount of tax increment being available to the City for the duration of the Downtown TIF. If you take this action to separate the Downtown TIF into two TIFs, one where the hotel was located, and one the rest of the TIF area, that will result in that being equalized and we should receive approximately the same number of TIF dollars that we were receiving prior to the City acquiring title to this real estate.

In any event, the old TIF and the newly created will expire in 1925 or...excuse me, 2025, or in the case of a new TIF being created, which would not apply to this one we are creating now, the later of 25 years or...no, 25 years for the TIF. That's the duration... *(Inaudible)*.

President Friend: Twenty-four.

City Attorney Ziemer: Exactly.

President Friend: Twenty-four years. Anybody have any questions about this? What about anybody in the audience have something for or against this?

With that said, okay I'd entertain a motion to adopt this Resolution C-2014-13.

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilwoman Robinson: Second.

President Friend: I had a motion made by Councilman O'Daniel and seconded by Councilwoman Robinson. Please call the roll.

ROLL CALL:

Aye: McGinn, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Lindsey, Adams, O'Daniel, Weaver, Friend

Absent: Mosby

President Friend: Eight (8) ayes and zero (0) nays, Resolution C-2014-13 is hereby on the books.

City Attorney Ziemer: Thank you.

President Friend: Thank you so much.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Next Monday night...next Monday we will not have a...that'd be on May 26th, we will not have a Council meeting. That's going to be I guess Memorial Day. The next City Council meeting will be on June the 9th of 2014 and will start at 5:30 and we'll have the Committees at 5:15.

Next up we have this...we have a board nominee and that's going to be for the Commissioner Appointments; the Building Authority Trustee Board and it would be Mr. Ralph Kissinger. He had a four-year term from June 1, '14 goes to 2018.

Councilwoman Robinson: Who recommended him?

City Clerk Windhorst: He has actually been on the board since at least 2003.

Councilwoman Robinson: That's what I was wondering but who...did we...?

President Friend: I don't know.

Councilwoman Robinson: Did you ask anyone if we had anybody to recommend?

President Friend: Connie, this is one of the last minute deals. I should have talked to you about that.

Do we have this...before we go through it, do we have anybody else that...?

Councilwoman Robinson: I'd like to hold this until someone else...you know I have a name that I'd like to submit. I think Al has a name he'd like to submit.

President Friend: That's a good point. I go along with that.

Councilman Adams: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*

Councilwoman Robinson: Their resumés.

Councilman Adams: Resumés.

President Friend: Yeah, I'll entertain that. Sure. How about a motion to hold this over til next time?

Councilman Adams: Yeah, but we all get a set of resumés.

President Friend: Yeah.

Councilwoman Robinson: Yeah. I make a motion to hold it over.

Councilman O'Daniel: I'll second that.

President Friend: Okay Conor put the motion; Connie seconded it. Voice vote. Okay, let's hold it over till the next time. All right, good deal. Go to the next thing.

Okay, we got some Committee Reports. It'd be A.S.D. Committee. It'd be Dr. Adams.

Councilman Adams: Are we going to have a Miscellaneous?

President Friend: Oh yeah. Oh, wait, wait did I shoot by the Miscellaneous? I did, didn't I? Obviously, I'm trying to get this meeting over quick, aren't I?

Councilman Adams: If you'd like, we could...

President Friend: Probably should. I think so. Thanks for pointing it out for me.

Councilman Adams: I missed the...

President Friend: Yeah, we don't have this, well yeah, there wasn't anything really said but that's right, we need to have...Dr. Adams, your floor. What do you have something you want to say?

Councilman Adams: No, I just... *(Inaudible)* I have to do my Committee Reports.

President Friend: Oh well no, I meant if you want to...well I mean, if is there anybody in the audience like to have something they'd like to bring to Council's attention, this is the time to speak up.

Okay, with that let's go on to the Committee Reports.

Councilman Adams: Oh, Mr. President, yes. Thank you.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A.S.D. COMMITTEE:

Re: Ordinance G-2014-7
Date: June 9, 2014
Time: 5:25 pm
Notify: Osman Mufti

CHAIRMAN ADAMS

Amending Chapter 9.20 of the Code of Ordinances

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Re: Resolution C-2014-14
Date: June 9, 2014
Time: 5:15 pm
Notify: Ted Ziemer

CHAIRMAN O'DANIEL

Approving an Ordinance of the Vanderburgh Co. Income Tax Council Establishing the Percentage Credit Allowed for Homesteads for 2015 and Casting the Votes of the Common Council of City of Evansville of Said Ordinance

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

Re: Ordinance G-2014-8
Date: June 9, 2014
Time: 5:20 pm
Notify: Ted Ziemer

CHAIRMAN LINDSEY

Amending Chapter 13.20 (Wastewater Discharge Regulations) of the Evansville Municipal Code

ADJOURNMENT

President Friend: Now I entertain a motion for us...

Councilwoman Robinson: So moved.

Councilman Adams: Second.

President Friend: Call this meeting short. Go on.

Councilwoman Robinson: Motion to adjourn.

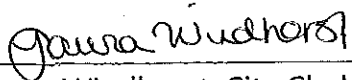
President Friend: Okay, I have a motion by...

Councilman Adams: Second.

President Friend:...Councilwoman Robinson and seconded by Dr. Adams. Thank you very much.

Bang of Gavel

Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.



Laura Windhorst, City Clerk



John Friend, President